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Gary L. Vest, Treasurer Caterpillar Employees Political Action Committee 100 N. E. Adams Street Peoria, IL 61629

Identification Number:

C00148031

Reference: Mid-Year Report (1/1/01-6/30/01)

Dear Mr. Vest:

On February 20, 2002, you were notified that a review of the above-referenced report(s) raised questions as to specific contributions and/or expenditures, and the reporting of certain information required by the Federal Election Campaign Act.

Your March 8, 2002 response is incomplete because you have not provided all the requested information. For this response to be considered adequate, the following information is still required.

-The total cash-on-hand as of January 1, 2001 and the beginning cash balance of this report should equal the ending balance of your 2000 Year-End Report. Please clarify this discrepancy and amend any subsequent report(s) that may be affected by this correction.

An adequate response must be received at the Commission by April 17, 2002. Adequate responses received on or before this date will be taken into consideration in determining whether audit action will be initiated. Requests for extensions of time in which to respond will not be considered. Failure to provide an adequate response by this date may result in an audit of the committee. Failure to comply with the provisions of the Act may also result in an enforcement action against the committee. Any response submitted by your committee will be placed on the public record and will be considered by the Commission prior to taking enforcement action.

Electronic filers must file amendments (to include statements, designations and

reports) in an electronic format and must submit an amended report in its entirity, rather than just those portions of the report that are being amended. If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Jim Krebs on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division), our local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

John D. Gibson

Assistant Staff Director Reports Analysis Division

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